

# Focus On County Government

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## Executive Report...

Dear Friend:

It is my pleasure to present you with the Spring/Summer 2002 Focus on County Government. As your Waukesha County Executive, I am proud of the high quality, fiscally responsible services that we offer to you.

Our first and foremost priority is to ensure the safety of all our citizens. To that end, County government is working hard to protect public safety. The proposed Department of Public Safety, including a new "state of the art" shared dispatch facility, is moving forward. In response to the post 9/11 world that we live in, Waukesha County has convened a Bio-Terrorism Task Force. And finally, we are poised to start the Justice Center expansion to address our growing jail population.

Waukesha County government is also working to maintain and improve our high quality of life. This fall we will open Phase I of Fox River Park in the Town of Waukesha. This park will offer outdoor activities for everyone. During these upcoming summer months, I encourage you to visit the Waukesha County Parks System.

Please take a minute to read how we are working to serve you. If you have questions or comments, call me at (262) 548-7902 or e-mail me at [countyexec@waukeshacounty.gov](mailto:countyexec@waukeshacounty.gov).



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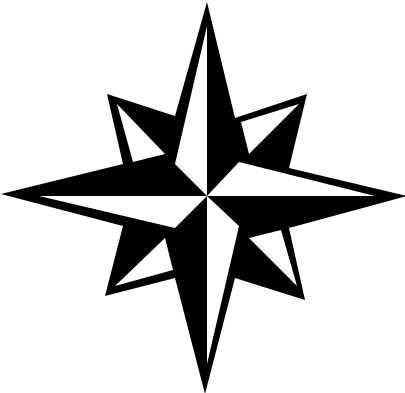
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## 5-Year Budget Trends...

Budget Year	General Purpose Property Tax Levy	Tax Rate/\$1000	Rate Change
2002	\$ 75,223,129	\$ 2.42	- 1.76%
2001	\$ 70,974,058	\$ 2.46	- 4.50%
2000	\$ 68,231,014	\$ 2.58	- 3.72%
1999	\$ 66,331,114	\$ 2.68	- 2.15%
1998	\$ 64,088,306	\$ 2.81	- 2.72%

**County Executive Awards...**



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## In The News...

### Federated Library System Awarded

The Waukesha County Federated Library System has received three Library Achievement Awards from the National Association of Counties (NACO) for the following programs:

- Balancing Books and Bytes:  
Countywide Library Planning
- Mobile Wireless Training Labs
- Communities Connected:  
Internet Training in Public Libraries

In each of the programs the creative use of technology has increased computer access for County residents,

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## **Town Hall Meetings...**

As the County begins its 2003 budget process, three Town Hall Meetings have been scheduled to provide you with an overview of the County budget. The dates, times and locations for these meetings follow:

**Tuesday, July 23**  
**7:30 a.m.**

**Strong Capital Management, Inc.**  
100 Heritage Reserve  
Menomonee Falls

*Sponsored by:*  
**Menomonee Falls Chamber of Commerce**

North of Intersection of Appleton Avenue & Good Hope  
Road; Right on Heritage Reserve

**Wednesday, July 24**  
**7 p.m.**

**United Way in Waukesha County**  
1717 Paramount Drive  
Waukesha

*Sponsored by:*  
**United Way in Waukesha County**

South of Intersection of  
STH 18 & STH 164

**Tuesday, July 30**  
**6 p.m.**

**Summit Town Hall**  
2911 North Dousman Road  
Oconomowoc

*Sponsored by:*  
**Waukesha County Town's Association**

1/4 mile North of I-94 & STH 67;  
West on CTH B; South on Dousman Road

For more information about the Town Hall Meetings, please contact the County Executive's Office at (262) 548-7902 or send an e-mail to [countyexec@waukeshacounty.gov](mailto:countyexec@waukeshacounty.gov).